

#### Cycling in Wirral

This map is for everyone, if you cycle regularly, or are just thinking about riding a bike, whether as a leisure activity or as a means of getting around Wirral.

#### Cycle Merseyside

Cycling maps are available for other areas in Merseyside including:

- Sefton Knowsley Liverpool
- St. Helens

To order free copies call **0151 330 1253** or visit **www.LetsTravelWise. org** where you can also find information on led cycle rides, cycling to work and school and cycle skills.

#### Cycle shops

- Birkenhead Cycles 258 Conway Street, Birkenhead T: 0151 647 9966 info@birkenheadcycles.co.uk www.birkenheadcycles.co.uk
- The Bike Shop 453 Hoylake Road, Moreton T: 0151 606 0101

Bikes n Boards 170 Banks Road, West Kirby T: 0151 625 5533

- K Cycles 1186 New Chester Road, Eastham T: 0151 327 1594 sales@kcycles.com www.kcycles.com
- Roy Davies Cycles
   65 Market Street, Hoylake
   T: 0151 632 1419



- Hesketh Bros 471 New Chester Road, Birkenhead T: 0151 645 2216
- The Wheelbase 584 Old Chester Road, Rock Ferry T: 0151 644 9682
- Off The Rock Cycles
   88 Victoria Road, New Brighton T: 0151 630 0785 www.offtherockcycles.co.uk

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#### Wirral Cycle Map

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# Cycle Wirral



#### Cycling is great because it's...

55	Fresh Air
55	Fitness
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55	For the whole family
55	Low cost travel
55	Door to door, when you wa
55	Pollution free

This map shows cycle lanes and suggested routes around Wirral avoiding busy roads and junctions. It's easy to get around on your bike, use this map to discover the network of cycle tracks and quiet streets that provide enjoyable cycle routes, whether for work, study, shopping or leisure journeys.

More cycling will help make you healthier and happier and make our communities safer and less polluted - and that's good news for everyone.

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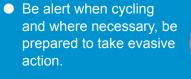
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#### Cycle safety

- Before each journey, spend a few minutes ensuring that your bike is in good working order, paying particular attention to brakes, tyres and the steering.
- Wear bright clothing and a cycle helmet. At night, front and rear lights and a red rear reflector are legally required and get you seen.
- Be confident and brave in your cycling. Stay out from the kerb. Cycling fast, in the traffic flow, is safer than being trapped against the kerb. You are the traffic so claim your lane!
- Give plenty of room when riding past parked vehicles as doors can open unexpectedly.



### **Useful Contacts**

Travelwise Merseyside T: 0151 330 1253 www.LetsTravelWise.org info@LetsTravelWise.org

Merseytravel Traveline T: 0871 2002233 www.merseytravel.gov.uk

Wirral Council Cycling Officer T: 0151 606 2368 www.wirral.gov.uk amandakeenan@wirral.gov.uk cycling@wirral.gov.uk



### **Cycling Clubs**

#### Birkenhead North End Cycling Club/ The Bike Factory Three club runs per week which leave from the

Eureka Café (see below) at Two Mills on Saturday, Sunday and Wednesday.

Andy Templeman T: 0151 336 1535 andy@templeman.org.uk www.bnecc.co.uk

Birkenhead Victoria Cycling Club www.bvcc.co.uk

New Brighton Cycling Club Ms Beryl Bowes T: 0151 678 2654 or 0797 0834298 berylbowes@btinternet.com www.nbcycling.co.uk

Mersey Road Club Jon Williams T: 0151 644 1253

Eureka Café - Cyclist Café Two Mills, Parkgate Cheste T: 0151 3395629 www.eurekacycli



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The park is situated on the Old Railway line along the Dee Estuary coast, the park offers a 12 mile footpath and bridle way and magnificent views over the surrounding terrain. The estuary is a cross roads for bird migration and the park is a fantastic place to explore. A visitor centre is located near the Old Thurstaston Station with a bird hide, snack shop and rest room.

## **Cycle opportunities**

#### **Bidston Moss Community Park**

A new cycling development at Bidston Moss has a 2.7 km of off road cycling and a 2.2 km racing circuit and also links with Route 56 of the National Cycle Network and makes it the only facility of its kind in the North West catering for cyclists of all levels and interests. In addition a further 1.1 km of new 'single track' mountain bike trails has just

### Wirral County Park



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## **Bikes on Trains and Ferries**

If your journey is too far to cycle, why not combine it with the train or ferry. Bicycles are welcomed free on both and with many stations having cycle parking, you don't always have to take your bike with you!

Bikes go free on Merseyside's trains and ferries although it is sensible to remember trains can be busy at peak times. For details of services call Traveline on 0871 200 22 33.



#### **Cycle Routes**

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There are facilities being introduced in the Wirral to benefit cyclists including:

#### On road cycle lanes

These are marked out lanes which provide space for cyclists on the road providing direct, safer routes to key places. Some cycle lanes link to Advanced Stop lines to give cyclists priority at junctions and bus only routes across Wirral.

#### **Off- road cycle tracks**

Off road routes that can be used for leisure or as part of your commuting journey are being improved, maintained and extended. They are good places to cycle as a family, to teach youngsters or to brush up on your own cycle skills, as well as running through some of Wirral's best view points.

#### **Traffic Calming**

Traffic calming, like road humps and speed limits, improves the links between cycle routes via streets where traffic has been made to slow down.

Don't think that the route you drive to work is the route you will cycle. Cycling can create alternative routes that aren't possible in a car such as being able to take a short cut through a park or a traffic calmed housing estate.



### **Cycle Skills**

Whether you've never learnt to cycle or want to brush up on your cycling skills, there is training available to make you feel comfortable on your bike on the road.

Cycling solutions can put together a suitable cycling skills session so you feel confident in traffic and handling junctions for you and your family for a small fee. Cycle skills are being offered across Merseyside to all schools as well.



#### Cyclists' Touring Club (CTC)



CTC is the country's largest cycling rganisation, campaigning on behalf of all cyclists. Members receive free third-party insurance, a magazine, technical advice and cycling related

T: 0870 873 0060 cycling@ctc.org.uk www.ctc.org.uk

#### Sustrans

Sustrans is the sustainable transport charity behind the National Cycle Network, the safer routes to school programme and Bike It

T: 0845 113 0065 info@sustrans.org.uk www.sustrans.org.uk





#### Local Groups

The following groups meet regularly and welcome new members:

Merseyside Cycling Campaign merseysidecyclingcampaign@hotmail.co.uk www.merseyworld.com/mcc

Wirral Cycling Campaign (run regular rides for all abilities) T: Barbara 0151 6787501 or Sonia 0151 342 7201 infor@wirralcycling.org.uk www.wirralcycling.org.uk

Merseyside CTC District Association (run regular rides for everyone) www.merseysidectc.com

### It's Bike Time!

- Good family activity
- Fun day out with friends
- Off road or on very quiet roads
- Fit and healthy
- Free Leisurely
- Professional, friendly leaders • Chance for children to practice cycle training delivered in school

Bike Time rides are for everyone and last between 1 and 3 hours. We ask that under 14s please bring an adult. Under 6s best on a tag-along or seat. At 1.30pm a free bike safety check will be available – problems can be diagnosed but not fixed! We try to bring the sun but this is Britain so suncream and waterproofs are handy!

Please check our website for other cycle rides and events in Merseyside

www.LetsTravelWise.org



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For more information contact Cycling Solutions on 0151 234 9484 or TravelWise on 0151 330 1253